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Country Correspondence.

To CORRESPONDENTS: Mail your letter early so you will get to us at least Monday night. RULES: Write on one side of the paper only; write plainly; spell *properly* correctly, and write "Cor" on the envelope.

OLDE.

A. C. Craft and wife returned to their home in Letcher county. They have been down in this country 4 weeks visiting relatives.

J. M. Adams, of Mt. Sterling, and W. G. Phipps, of this place, started to market with a nice drove of cattle.

John Whitt is in Pike county on a trading tour.

Buck Hall, who has been confined with typhoid fever since October, is slowly improving. Dr. Conley, of Salyersville, has carried him through.

The tie inspector was around last week for the last round. He gave the boys a fair inspection.

Mettie Jane and Verna Blanton are selling out to go to their mother, Mrs. Mary Blair, who resides in Huntington, W. Va. They contemplate on making their future home at that place.

L. C. Adams and son have gone to Jenkins to seek their fortune.

Abbott Adams, Jesse's son, is on the moving list today. Bad time for the business.

Deputy Sheriff D. M. Cooper dined with us yesterday enroute to Wheelersburg and other points in the eastern part of the county, notifying parties of raises on their lands by the Supervisors.

PUFF STUFF.

CANNEL CITY.

Miss Frances Nickell and her brother, Dennis Nickell, of Haze Green, spent the past week with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Coonie Lykins, of Cancy, was taken to the hospital in Lexington to undergo an operation, last Saturday.

Mr. Forest Caudill, a midshipman at the United States Naval Academy, is now visiting home folks at this place.

Mr. Hugh Minor, who has been in the Good Samaritan Hospital, at Lexington, for the past three weeks, suffering from a severe attack of typhoid fever is reported improving.

Mr. Floyd Jones, of this place, died Friday Jan. 5th after an illness of several months. His death was due to dropsy.

A Revival meeting is being held at the Saints' Church with great success.

Miss Carolyn Farley, music teacher at this place, spent the holidays at her home in Richmond, Ky.

The Caney Valley Railway, an extension of 13 miles from Cannet City, has just been completed and regular passenger service will begin Sunday Jan. 14th.

We are glad to know that Miss Nora Benton who has been very ill for the past week is much better.

Mr. M. L. Conley, made a speedy business trip to New York, last week.

Mrs. Margurite Botony, of Cincinnati, O. is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Murphy.

Mr. W. M. Watson of this city spent Sunday with his family who reside in Lexington, Ky.

The attendance at church Sunday night was very sparse owing to the inclement weather.

Mr. Edgar Benton Agent of the O. & K. Ry. Co., at Lee City, Ky. spent Sunday with his home folks.

Mr. Andy Lawson's house was destroyed by fire Tuesday, Jan. 10th. Everything possible was done to save it but of no avail.

G. O.

Salyersville, Ky.,
Jan. 10th 1912.
Editor, KENTUCKY MOUNTAINEER:

Dear Sir:-

Living as we do, eighteen miles from a railroad, no turn pikes or interurban lines, we are at last blessed with a strong flow of natural gas, which was struck a few days ago within a short distance of Salyersville, Ky. There was a company organized a short time ago, called the Burning Fork Development Co. This company consists of Ex-Judge M. F. Patrick of Salyersville, Ex-State Senator C. D. Sublett, also of Salyersville, and Dr. V. F. Frizzell, of Charleston, W. Va., and others.

This company began drilling for oil a few days ago, with the above result.

Now to give a more detailed history of the matter, there is a stream about seven miles long, a tributary of the Licking, called Burning Fork, which empties into the river just above the town of Salyersville. This stream gets its name from a spring that at one time existed on that creek, that was continually burning from

time immemorial, up to about the year 1860, when a stock company was organized to drill for oil.

This company drilled a hole several hundred feet deep near the spring and struck oil which was said to be about a five barrel well; but the war coming on about that time the work was abandoned and nothing more was done at it until this company began. The first

company evidently struck the vein of water, oil and gas, for they all disappeared, the spring went dry and ceased burning.

The following bit of history is given us by Uncle Elijah Patrick and other old citizens who live near where the spring formerly was: They say that the people wished to utilize the heat from the spring, so they put a frame-building over it, where they dried gin-seng, fruit, seasoned lumber and etc. for a number of years or until the spring ceased to burn, caused by this drilling.

We have been informed by members of the company that they are going to ask the town council for a franchise right to pipe this gas to Salyersville, for lighting and heating purposes. They say there is enough gas to supply two or three towns the size of this.

The gas became so strong in the first well they drilled, they had to stop work in it and move the machinery a short distance on to the land of M. M. Salyer, and send for more and stronger machinery, casing and etc. where they expect to strike oil in paying quantities. They are now down two-hundred feet or more on the second well and drilling every day, utilizing the gas to fire their machinery. So there will be something more to say about it 'ere the next issue of your paper.

MACK.

Read this paper and pass it to your neighbor. Do not make a habit of this but remember that a good live newspaper shall help to make the property of this country more valuable. The paper boosts you, can't you boast the paper?

BOWLIN GIVEN DEATH SENTENCE.

First Death Sentence for Slayer of Negro.

At a special term of the Jackson Circuit Court Judge A. J. Kirk pronounced the death sentence on Ewen Bowlin, for the murder of Samuel Crawford last October. George, a brother of Ewen, was given an indeterminate sentence to the penitentiary. Both brothers are under thirty years of age.

Following is Judge Kirks sentence in full:

"Mr. Ewen Bowlin, on the 26th day of October, at the last October term of the Breathitt Circuit Court, 1911, the grand jury of Breathitt county returned an indictment against you, charging you with the wilful murder of Sam Crawford.

"At the present term of this court, a jury was empaneled to try you on this charge. After the jury was accepted, you entered your plea of "not guilty," and after a full hearing by the jury of the evidence, and argument of counsel, and after duly considering the case, the jury returned a verdict, finding you guilty of wilful murder and fixing your punishment at death. Have you any legal reason to show why the judgement of this court should not be pronounced against you?

Ewen Bolin: "Well, I didn't get a fair trial. The court knows I didn't get a fair trial, and everybody that was here at the trial knows it."

The Court: "That is a question settled by the motion and grounds.

"No legal reason being shown, it will be my duty to pass upon you my judgment following the verdict. I may add that it is a solemn and trying hour to you, and a most unpleasant one to me. I am now called upon to perform the most painful duty of my public life, but it is my duty, my high and solemn duty, a duty I owe to society and government, and which I must perform; and had you performed the obligations resting upon you as a man and citizen, and lived uprightly, and hurt nobody, I would have been spared the painful feeling of this occasion and you would not now be compelled to drink this cup of bitterness to its dregs; but you have disregarded the obligations you owed to society and shown to the world that you possess a heart desperately depraved and fatally bent on mischief, the kinder and nobler feelings of your nature seen, not to have a lodgment in it.

"You have wantonly and wickedly imbued your hand in the blood of your fellow man, and that blood now cries from the earth against you. You have taken the life of a human being, and sent a creature bearing God's image unbidden into His presence.

You have taken that which all the demons in purgatory, and men on earth, or the angels in Heaven, can not give; no creature in Heaven above, or earth beneath, can give life to a blade of grass save God alone. By taking life you have robbed a creature of his all in all. All that a man hath will he give for his life. It is the precious gift of the immortal God.

"Had Sam Crawford been possessed of all the treasures of earth, in order to save his life and live out his allotted days, he would have surrendered them all; but you gave him no chance for capitulation; not a moment's time in which to say "Lord be merciful to me a sinner," but robbed

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WAR DECLARED

By Knoxville Commercial Club on Common People.

Orders Given County Merchants For Final Charge on Parcels Post DM.

The following circular letter, attempting to throttle one of the most important recent bills of Congress is self explanatory. Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith a petition which we ask you to sign, and have other merchants and other taxpayers of your town to sign, and mail to your congressman without delay.

It would also be well to have two copies made of this petition, both to be signed by the same parties, and mailed to your Senators at Washington.

There must be a solid line-up on the part of retail merchants and other business men of the small towns of the country in opposition to the Pareels Post, or the measure will be passed by Congress and rural delivery routes will be used to convey the goods of large catalogue houses to the farmers of the country. Furthermore, the measure would bring the mail order house in easy access to all towns, and make it a strong competitor for trade at the very doors of small town dealers.

In addition to this, a Pareels Post would increase the deficit of the Postoffice Department and make one cent letter postage, which is now almost in sight, an impossibility.

Please go after this at once, and the signatures you can, asking each person or firm approached to sign the three copies of petition - and then mail them to your congressman and senators, not later than January 1st.

Very truly yours,
THE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

What do you think of this Mr. Buyer? and Mr. Merchant, what do you think of it?

These Knoxville people assume that the purchaser either does not know what is best for him and must have some such agent as the Knoxville Commercial Club to direct Congress in legislating laws for the people; or they assume that the purchaser does not get a "square deal." Their conclusion is that the merchant will be forced out of business by the mail order houses.

This first premise is erroneous, therefore the whole syllogism is incorrect.

For the past quarter of a century the editor's father has been a country merchant, hence our faith that we know a country

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A CASE OF SUICIDE.

Mrs. Nannie Howard, sister to N. P. and Calloway Howard, committed suicide at Huntington, W. Va., by taking carbolic acid.

The remains were sent to her fathers at Swampton where they were interred on the 7th inst.

We quote the following from a Huntington paper.

"She lived on the second floor of an apartment, the first section of which is occupied by an Assyrian family. The first notice of the tragic affair was transmitted to Dr. Pritchard by a woman of the neighborhood, and the physician arrived on the scene but ten minutes before the woman expired, too late to give relief.

Who were the woman's friends or enemies, and what her circumstances, and what the cause of her desire for self-destruction are matters of mystery and may never be cleared up.

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S. S. ELAM, Editor.

SALUTATORY.

Just one hundred years ago, in the State of Virginia, Jeremiah Elam, my grandfather, was born, and six years later, my great-grandfather, Walter Elam, moved to Kentucky.

Jeremiah settled at Bloomington, this county, where my father, Leander, was born and reared.

Shortly before the American Revolution Joseph Nichol, my great-great-grandfather, on my mother's side, and his wife, emigrated from Ireland and settled in Virginia. A few years later they moved to Kentucky and settled at Mt. Sterling. About 1805 their son, Billy, followed the game into the mountains and settled at what is now Elam, Morgan county. In this home was born Jackson, my grandfather, and in the same home was born Frances, my mother. Within sight of this farm I was born. From the above data it will be seen that my ancestors, on both sides, and myself have been Kentucky Mountaineers for almost a century.

I have been greatly tempted to make my home in other States but I have always felt a peculiar interest in my native land.

"Wherever I wander, wherever I rove,
My heart's in the Highland forever I love."

I have seen our steep hillsides shorn of their forest cover. I have seen the virgin soil carried away and the subsoil laid bare to be eroded and carried over the rich valleys where it covered these fertile fields and greatly injured their usefulness.

Not only have we wasted our timber and splendid soils but many of our people are leasing their mineral rights. For generations our ancestors have worked hard and lived sparingly while their brothers lived on the fat of the land in the Blue Grass section.

Our "Grand old Commonwealth" has laid more stress on politics than it has on education. It has never taught the mountain people the geography of their own country but preferred to teach them the geography of the world. This it has regarded as education. We are still groping in the dark, hoping that our present Legislature will decide to adopt a curriculum that will help fit the child to his environment. This will truly be education but it will come at least a quarter of a century later than it should have come. Had some such legislation as this, together with our present high school law, been effected twenty-five years ago I and many hundreds of young men and young women of the mountains of Kentucky could have had a decent preparation for life's duties in public schools rather than throw ourselves on the "Mission" or denominational schools. This would have prevented much of the antagonism that now exists among various denominations of our section of the State. It would have prevented much of the notorious name that these "Mission schools" have given the "Mountaineers." It would have prevented much of the disrespect that other sections of Kentucky has for us.

It would have enabled the churches to spend their money among church lings rather than to raise it for the "panper mountaineer" that they misrepresented for which they raised funds. It would have prevented the claimish spirit that pay schools foster. It would have reduced crime, not by educating those who are willing to pay in these schools, but the whole people would have had an opportunity of gaining knowledge that helps make more bread and butter, as well as to give mental discipline.

This would have made our people more independent of railroads by teaching them how to conserve their natural resources. But our politicians have seen fit to neglect us until recently. Our mission schools have emphasized the fact that we were a feudal people until many good people who have never been in our section believe that the greater number of us are feudists and lawless people. This condition of things brings the mountain people into disrepute.

But we cannot change the past. Behold "the present! The transition period of the mountains is here. The subcarboniferous period of the coal measure which baffled the railroads for many years has been pierced. We have lost much wealth but still unequal fortunes lie at our feet. We are asked to give these fortunes to capital. Jacob wants our birthright. He is offering us the bowl of porridge (ten dollars an acre for coal that is worth thousands). If we sell our birthright so cheaply then, like Esau, we shall be cursed by our descendants for being such materialists.

I am anxious to see our county developed but I am not willing to see our people give a fortune for a song. Every school boy, as well as his parents, should be able to calculate the value of coal lands. There are practically fifty pounds of coal to the cubic foot. By a little figuring we see that an acre of coal two feet thick has over 2000 tons, while a four foot vein has upwards of 4000 tons. I have been informed that we have a State law that prohibits any lease on coal to be legal for less than ten cents per ton when a lease by the ton is taken. This gives you \$400 an acre for a four foot vein.

But what is it worth if you choose to have it mined? At one cent per bushel it brings you over \$1,000. I have been informed by a man who operates his own mines that when his coal brings less than 75 cents per ton he stops mining. He also states that on an average it brings over \$1.00 per ton. This gives over \$4,000 per acre for a four foot vein.

Then too when our lands are leased and are in the hands of a single Company we are likely to have a railroad, only when that Company sees fit to open up the coal field, whereas there will be keen competition among various companies to possess this coal field which is today one of the largest and most valuable undeveloped coal fields in America.

As to politics, I shall advocate the principles of the Republican party as I have always done. I shall be free from bosses, cliques, andings, believing that our party is broader and wiser than any individual in the party, and that the party should not permit her proud banner to be drug in the dust by any living man because he calls himself a Republican, be it in county or National politics.

I have no "axes to grind." Believing that it is the duty of a newspaper to guard the interests of the people, I shall endeavor to perform this duty whether it be pleasant or painful.

I shall fulfill my mission if I give through the columns of the KENUCKY MOUNTAINEER unbiased news and stand FOR THE

RIGHTS OF THE MOUNTAIN PEOPLE OF KENTUCKY, NOT THEIR WRONGS.

S. S. ELAM, Editor.

In your home and in your business you need our newspaper and in our home and in our business we need the dollar. So roll it along without delay and help push a newspaper while it needs your pushing.

Did you know that if you have land, timber, livestock or anything else to sell that it would pay you to advertise in the MOUNTAINEER?

Do you know that if you want to buy anything that it will pay you to spend a few cents for an ad?

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You are for a county paper and we are thankful that our county has many such men as you.

If you want to know the names of other public spirited people who help our county paper pay printers, rent and other bills just glance at the advertising columns.

Give them your trade. They helped us they will help you.

The next annual meeting of the Kentucky Circuit Judges' Association will be held December 30 and 31, 1912, in Louisville, in accordance with a vote taken before adjournment of the convention for 1911 at the Galt House, where the present officers were re-elected.

The sessions were marked by interesting and profitable discussions of matters of importance, including the care of the State's insane, the present method of challenging jurors, and crime conditions in the State.

Quite a number of our young men and young women have appointments that entitle them to free tuition in a county high school.

We can certify to the fact that we pay a good stiff school tax and we hope that our youths will be given the same opportunity to get a free education as is given to the young people of the rest of Kentucky.

We see no reason why this law should be enforced.

The more money that people spend for education the less they must spend for jails, courts, long drawn out trials and the like.

Perfection is not attained on this terrestrial globe. So if you find this first copy of our paper less perfect than you, yourself would make a paper just remember just remember that there are many odds and ends to look after in starting a newspaper, and save your criticisms until you have given us a chance.

We have secured the services of Mr. Will Hazelrigg of Salyersville. So far as we know he is the best newspaper man in Magoffin county. We have also Mr. Wallace Caraway, of West Liberty. He was brought up and educated a journalist and his efficiency is not doubted by any one who knows that for years he was owner and editor of Morgan counties only newspaper.

The editor has had some experience in the field of journalism and thinks that with this splendid staff that Magoffin county should have a good newspaper if the people stand by a hoine paper as they have begun to.

War Declared by Commercial Club.
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They forgot that the Parcels Post Bill will be of mutual benefit to merchant and buyer by enabling both parties to send any article up to eleven pounds to or from the store. Did these people ever live a few miles from town? Did they ever have a pound of butter or other produce to send by Uncle Sam's mail carriers? Did they ever stop to think that the farmer has his busy season when a trip to the store would cause him to lose dollars? Do they not

know that this new law would enable every store in our land to become a mail order house?

Crowd out the country merchant? How absurd!

Our present postal law permits Chicago merchants to send a pound of goods to the purchaser as cheaply as it does the country merchant two miles away. Is this fair? Is it right that the Government should loose money on the big mail order houses and make it on the small merchant who mails his goods short distances?

A country merchant said in regard to the Parcels Post Bill, "It would enable me to get any package under 11 pounds sent by reasonable mail rather than be over charged by the abominable express companies."

We cannot account for the position that those Knoxville people take on this question unless they are stock holders in an express company.

Mr. Merchant and Mr. Purchaser if you favor the Parcels Post refer to our official directory and write your senators and representative. Have your neighbors either write or sign your letters.

DO IT NOW. If you are against this bill lay low and let this great measure be defeated.

DIET AND HEALTH HINTS

By DR. T. J. ALLEN
Food Specialist

GAINS FROM IMPROVED NUTRITION.

Remarkable results have followed improvement in the nutrition of children of the public schools of Cleveland, by caring for the teeth and teaching them how to eat properly, for six months. Tests showed that memory had been improved 111 per cent. In this instance; power of spontaneous association, 84 per cent.; association by opposites, 48 per cent.; quickness and accuracy of perception, 22 per cent.; an average improvement in mental capacity of 52 per cent. Persons in middle life do not improve so remarkably by improving nutrition but there is invariably an improvement in working capacity when the general nutrition is improved, especially by saving vitality commonly expended in excessive mixing of incompatible foods. The case of a man at Economy, Ind., has been mentioned, who had decided to give up his general store, but after becoming adapted to a regime advocated in the hints organized a bank and was elected its president and now conducts the store while performing the duties of bank officer and Sunday School superintendent; also that of a man past seventy, at Aurora, Ill., who having sold his store and retired from business, is again in business, the leader in his line. Many such cases could be cited.

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JUDGE CHANGED HIS MIND

Chico Kid of New Mexico Did Not Propose to Have a Fine Impose.

Broadway heard with some surprise that H. A. Du Souchet, the author of "The Man From Mexico," is a candidate for justice of the peace in the hamlet in which he pays taxes in New Jersey. Why he should want to be a Jersey Justice has the big street guessing. The obverse of the proposition is the wonder why Jersey should want him to be a Justice.

"Away back in 1878," said one of the old-timers, "Du Souchet was a Justice of the peace down on the New Mexico line. In those days tarantulas and Indians were the chief native products of that region. Residents wore their guns handy, and train robbery was considered a profitable and not discreditable form of speculation. One day the Chico Kid, being very drunk, insisted on being arrested. The marshal didn't want to arrest Mr. Kid, but the latter insisted.

"I wanna plumb guilty to drunkenness and disturbin' thuh peace," said the Kid to Justice Du Souchet.

"I will have to fine—" began Du Souchet.

"What?" howled the Kid. "Fine me? Why, you phubbed, valer ilered, pizzen toed' ole maverick, there ain't enough justices in New Mexico to make me pay a fine. I—" "But Justice Du Souchet interrupted him sharply.

"I was about to say," said he, "that I will have to find time to get real well acquainted with you Mr. Kid. In the meantime, suppose we go and have a drink." —New York Letter to the Cincinnati Times-Star.

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Bullocks in English Church.

At Emmanuel church, Nottingham, England, considerable excitement was caused among the congregation one Sunday by two bullocks entering while the vicar was preaching his sermon. The animals had strayed from their quarters, and, finding the door open, walked in. They went into the baptistry, but the verger, attracted by the commotion, got in front of the animals, and by gentle and tactful persuasion, drove them out without any damage being done or pane caused.

Not Final Farewell.

Lady Mary Wortley Montague once wrote a letter to her lover (whom she afterward married), concluding in the following manner: "There is no condition of life I could not have been happy in with you, so very much I liked you—I may say loved—since it is the last thing I'll ever say to you. This is telling you sincerely my greatest awakenings, and now I will oblige you with a new proof of my generosity. I'll never see you more!"

Have Good Appetite.

The six elephant seals at the Aquarium consumed in the last month about a ton of food; to be exact, 7,951 pounds of codfish, herring and weakfish, or approximately ten pounds and a half for each daily. As might be expected of creatures with such appetites, the elephant seals are thriving and growing.—New York Sun.

Hard Luck.

Joe—"How are you, old man?" Arthur—"Got a beastly cold, y'know." Joe—"Hard luck, heh Joe. Been going out in the cold without your monocle?" Arthur—"No. Called on Henry at his house, and that wretched dog of his persisted in wagging his tail and creating a draught.—Tilt-Blitz.

JOHN H. GARDNER,

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A Guess From Habit.

A man should not decide that a girl is a gossip because she tells him "something funny." Marguerite or Edith said, Women have the same right to discuss and criticize other women that men have; and they do not exercise it any more freely.

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Circuit Court: First Monday in February, June and November. D. W. Gardner, Judge; W. H. May, Com'th Attorney; W. S. Adams, Clerk; B. W. Higgins, Trustee of Jury Fund; W. P. Carpenter, Master Commissioner.

County Court: On Fourth Monday in each Month.

Quarterly Court: Tuesday and Wednesday after Fourth Monday in each Month.

Fiscal Court: Tuesday after First Monday in April and October.

R. C. Salyer,
Presiding Judge.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT.
First District—Shepherd Cole, 1st Monday in each month at Salyersville, on Tuesday following at Middle Fork.

Second District—L. C. Bailey, Saturday after the 1st Monday in each month.

Third District—Sunny Vanner, 2nd Monday of each month.

Fourth District—Ira C. Bailey, Tuesday after 2nd Monday in each month.

Fifth District—Wallace Cole, 3rd Monday in each month.

COUNTY OFFICERS.
Judge—R. C. Salyer.

Attorney—W. R. Prater.
Sheriff—Robert Reed.

Treasurer—B. W. Higgins.
Clerk—W. S. Adams.

Supt. Schools—Martha E. Arnett.

Jailor—Henry Brown.
Assessor—Willie Keeton.

Coroner—Dr. W. C. Connelley.
Surveyor—C. C. Craft.

Fish and Game Warden—Dr. R. C. Adams.

Salyersville Police Court—First Monday in each month, James Prater, Judge.

S. H. Mann, Town Marshal,
Town Trustee—E. B. Arnett,
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LOCAL NEWS.

W. S. Flint guarantees all work to give satisfaction

Don't forget to pass this paper to your neighbor when you are through with it.

Dr. L. F. Metzger and family, of Roncevert, W. Va., have returned to their home.

Line ladies short jackets worth \$4.00 and \$5.00, bargain price \$1.00. W. J. Patrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Mann, of Huntington, W. Va., are visiting their parents for a few days.

Call and see our line of clothing before buying elsewhere, our prices are right. W. J. Patrick.

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The Spirit of the Season prompts us to extend to you our sincere wishes for a happy prosperous New Year.

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If this paper ceases to be published we will refund your money.

The Editor.

Kash Williams, School Supt., of Breathitt Co., Chester A. Back Atty. and Sewell Williams are business visitors here this week.

See our line of blankets 60cts to \$3.00 per pair. W. J. Patrick.

Dr. Fred Millard who is attending the Louisville Dental College, spent the holidays with his parents at their home at Bloomington Ky.

Mrs. Belle Warring and charming daughters, Misses Kate and Helen, of Kansas City, are visiting the family of Rev. W. W. Cooper.

Largest and best line of general merchandise at E. B. Arnett's.

Died, Sunday, Jan. 7th 1912, at Iveyton, Ky. Mrs. Margaret Rice, wife of Alex Rice, leaving 7 children, cause of death tuberculosis.

R. C. Salyer,
Presiding Judge.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT.
First District—Shepherd Cole, 1st Monday in each month at Salyersville, on Tuesday following at Middle Fork.

Second District—L. C. Bailey, Saturday after the 1st Monday in each month.

Third District—Sunny Vanner, 2nd Monday of each month.

Fourth District—Ira C. Bailey, Tuesday after 2nd Monday in each month.

Fifth District—Wallace Cole, 3rd Monday in each month.

COUNTY OFFICERS.
Judge—R. C. Salyer.

Attorney—W. R. Prater.
Sheriff—Robert Reed.

Treasurer—B. W. Higgins.
Clerk—W. S. Adams.

Supt. Schools—Martha E. Arnett.

Jailor—Henry Brown.
Assessor—Willie Keeton.

Coroner—Dr. W. C. Connelley.
Surveyor—C. C. Craft.

Fish and Game Warden—Dr. R. C. Adams.

Salyersville Police Court—First Monday in each month, James Prater, Judge.

S. H. Mann, Town Marshal,
Town Trustee—E. B. Arnett,
Chairman.

W. J. Patrick, Dr. E. H. Atkinson, Fred Prater and W. A. Hazlegrave.

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BIGGEST STEAMSHIP IN THE WORLD IS PLANNED.

London—The plans for the new steamer Aquitania, which the Cunard Company is building, have been modified to make the vessel the largest in the world. Her length will exceed 900 feet, ten feet longer than the 50,000-ton liner Imperator, which the Hamburg-American-Line will put into service in the spring of 1913. It

also stated that the Aquitania will be one knot faster than her German rival. She will accommodate 4,000 passengers.

Berry Burton, Charley Harvey, Ben Harvey, Bob Harvey and Willie Harvey, who were charged with the murder of Sam P' Simer on the night of Dec. 24, and who were tried before Shepherd Cole and bound over to the Circuit Court—Burton without bail; Charley Harvey on \$6,000, Ben Harvey, \$2,000, and Bob and Willie \$1,000, bond each—were brought before Judge D. W. Gardner on a writ of Habeas Corpus for the purpose of discharging the prisoners from custody, or allowing Burton bond, or reducing the amount of the other bonds, on Monday Jan. 8th, and their trial set for Thursday Jan. 11th. Judge Gardner heard the evidence Thursday, and held Burton without bond; reduced the bond of Charley Harvey from \$6,000 to \$2,000, and held Ben Harvey, Bob Harvey and Willie Harvey over on the same amount of bond fixed by Esquire Cole.

None of the defendants were able to give bond, except the two small boys, Bob and Willie Harvey, and were remanded to jail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

The following persons were murdered in Magoffin county in 1911. John C. Whitt, Ike Perkins, John Gullett, Mrs. John F. Walters, Mike Row, Buddy Whitt, James Harper, Leek Whitt and Sam Picklesimer.

The accused for killing the first two were cleared, the third broke jail, the fourth not caught, fifth not tried, the next three killed each other and the ninth not tried.

Walker's Engineering Corps, representing the Licking River Railroad Company, has completed a preliminary survey from Salt Lick, on the C. & O. to Swamptown this County, for a railroad.

They have returned to the mouth of Black Water, Morgan County, to locate the road. They expect to get to Salyersville in about three months.

If this road is built they will make a standard gauge of the present narrow gauge from Salt Lick to the mouth of Blackwater.

The people may not mean business but they are doing things in a business like way. They are not asking the landowners to give right's of way through their farms "to induce capital" and that sort of bosh. They are not even promising every man on the road a station.

We should have a railroad in two or three years if our people do not lease the great portion of the good coal lands and let some company get a "Sinch" on it.

This would enable a railroad to hold off half a century if necessary.

The people of Magoffin county have the Natural Mineral Wealth to "induce Capital" to come to our County. we should have a railroad if it will come on reasonable terms.

Berea Students.

We are authorized to announce Frank Blair, of Salyersville, as a candidate for the nomination for clerk of Magoffin county, subject to the action of the Republican party.

Up-to-Date Barber Shop. Hair Cuts in Any Style, 15cts. Shave, 10cts.

All other barber work served at reasonable prices.

Next door to Methodist Church.

J. S. WATSON.

FOR SALE.

One 200 acre farm on Stinson creek about six miles from Salyersville.

One 275 acre farm 4 miles from Salyersville, 1-1/4 mile from Paintsville.

Eleven nice heifers will be fresh, beginning in February.

D. M. ATKESON.

Find fault if you are sure fault should be found.

President Taft completed his annual message to congress and sent it to the public printer. The message contained about 6,000 words.

E. D. Carpenter, son of Irvin Carpenter of Wireman, Ky., was recently graduated from one of the State Normal Schools and was immediately elected to a position in a Memphis, Tenn., High School. We are informed that his salary is somewhat over \$100. per month.

This shows what our young men can accomplish when they take advantage of our State Normal Schools.

We have scores of young men and women in Magoffin county who could hold similar positions if they would take advantage of such instruction as the State Normal Schools of Kentucky now offer.

This is an oil wind that blows no one good, so the cold wave has given Salyersville a supply of ice.

Do you want this paper to succeed or fail? You may help it by giving us your cash subscription and by dealing with those merchants who advertise in the columns of this paper. Remember that even the largest papers of our country would soon go broke if there were no advertising or the advertisers were to insist on paying starvation wages.

Long Overland Journey.

A strenuous overland journey has just been completed by Mrs. Sarah Conner and her four minor children, who, after a trip in a dilapidated buggy of 900 miles, have arrived at Wheeler, S. D., their destination. Mrs. Conner and her children commenced their journey at Moose Jaw, Canada, following the death of her husband, who left them in a destitute condition. Their nearest relatives resided at Wheeler, in South Dakota. A span of ponies were hitched to a single seamed top buggy, which contained the mother and her four children, one a girl of eleven, a boy of nine, a girl of seven and a baby of eighteen months. In the old buggy were piled the worldly possessions of the family. The journey required six weeks' time. Some days they were unable to travel more than fifteen miles. The two older children, and part of the time three of them, walked while the ponies drove. The ponies had only such grazing as they could find along the road and were without grain the entire trip. They were nearly exhausted at the end of the journey.

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Ladies Object to Profanity.

The woman golfers of New York have made objections to swearing on the links and have discussed the matter in their clubs. The men who play over the links are all supposed to be gentlemen, but sometimes they are not careful of their language, and ladies have been made very indignant by some speeches. It has been suggested that no golf be played in the clubhouses, but the fact that the ladies have discussed the subject will, no doubt, be all that is necessary.

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SAID ABOUT ADVERTISING

Whether an ad puts or net generally depends on the push of the advertiser.—Newspaper.

The best way to fight the mail order house is by boosting your own business and working your hardest to make it grow.—Inland Stationer.

"We've all heard of the fellow who 'put the cost of advertising into the quality of goods,'" says the Southern Advertising Journal, "but none of us have ever been able to detect the superiority of his product."

The advertisement reaches the man while he is receptive, but before he assumes the defensive, as he is apt to do with the salesman. It also reaches the men who have influence with the buyer, but who are inaccessible to the salesman.

WHAT ADS HAVE ATTAINED

Personal Salesmanship Displaced—John Lee Mahin Tells Value of Co-operation.

John Lee Mahin, president of the Mahin Advertising company, addressed the students of the Northwestern University School of Commerce on the progress of the advertising business recently. He said the question of placing before the public the merchant's story regarding his wares had advanced during the last few years until now it is one of the most important items in the business world.

"Formerly the personal salesman was the advertising medium of his business," Mr. Mahin said. "He did all of the talking and writing about his line. But now times have changed, and it is the advertising writer who does this work in a broader manner and with the assistance of the personal salesman.

"Advertising and salesmanship are related very closely at the present time, and as a matter of fact the cooperation of the salesman and the advertising writer has brought the business to what it is today. We cannot co-operate without getting results, and the wise salesman does not work alone, but employs tools which come within his reach, such as the newspaper, street car advertising and the bill boards.

"There are a number of tests which apply both to the personal salesman and the advertising writer. The two most important are the method of writer and sturdiness.

"In modern advertising the words of the writer must be placed before the public in the most plausible manner. Anyone can write and anyone can tell stories, but it takes the advertising writer to take the words and phrases and place them where the best results will be had.

"The second test is sincerity. In advertising, as well as in every other thing that is done in business, one of the most important factors is sincerity. You must be sincere in what you claim for the article which is being advertised. The best way to conquer this is to have faith in yourself, as well as your business."

Bowlin Given Death Sentence.

(Continued from page 1.)
him in an instant of the most precious jewel, earth's pearl of price, and sent him unannounced and unanointed into the undiscovered land, and cut him off from every earthly enjoyment, closed his eyes to all the loved ones and endearing scenes of earth, to the hills and vale, the brook and the river, to the floating clouds, sun, moon and stars—to these, and all things else, he must bid adieu. Farewell to the world, farewell to the holy heavenly light, farewell to Heaven's trinity of blessings, wife, children, friends, farewell forever. But that word "forever," 'tis an endless circle. Were your soul to journey around it for a million years, the end would not be reached, and should it cry out in the language of despair, "Oh, how long?" the echoed answer will be "forever-ever."

"There is a law that was said to have been penned more than three thousand years ago. It has come down to us through the long tracks of time hoary with age. "Thou shalt not kill." And the penalty attached to its violation was penned about the same time. "He that sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed." This law you have violated—this dreadful penalty is attached to your offense. You have been indicted, tried and found guilty, and it now becomes my painful duty to pronounce the terrible sentence of the law upon you, and before doing so I will give you my advice. Remember that there is a great and unerring Judge before whom all the judges of the earth must appear. He is infinite in power, wisdom and mercy. Give up all earthly expectations, fall at his feet, send your prayers to the throne of his heavenly grace, and may you yet hear a small voice saying, "Son, thy sins, which are many, are forgiven you. Though they be as scarlet, I make them as now."

"It is adjudged by the court that you be taken by the sheriff and jailer of Breathitt county, Ky., as expeditiously, privately and safely as may be, to the State penitentiary, indicated by the Board of Prison Commissioners, to-wit; the State penitentiary at Eddyville, Ky., and to be delivered by him, together with a certified copy of this judgment to the warden of said penitentiary; and the warden thereof is directed to receive you into the penitentiary and safely keep you until the day fixed by this judgment for your execution.

"It is further adjudged by the court that the warden or the deputy warden of the said penitentiary, within the enclosure thereof and before sunrise on Friday, the 29th day of March, 1912, execute you by causing to pass through your body a current of electricity of sufficient intensity to cause your death as quickly as possible, and the application of such current must be continued until you are dead. May the Lord have mercy on your soul."

Old Enough to Vote.

So you are twenty-one.
And you stand up clear-eyed, clean-minded, to look all the world squarely in the eye. You are a man!

Did you ever think, son, how much it has cost to make a man out of you?

Some one has figured up the cost in money of rearing a child. He says to bring up a young man to legal age, care for him and educate him, costs \$25,000, which is a lot of money to put into flesh and blood.

But that isn't all.
You have cost your father many hard knocks and short dinners and worry and grey streaks in his hair. And your mother, ah boy, you will never know! You have cost her days and nights of anxiety and wrinkles in her dear face, and heartaches and sacrifice.

It has been expensive to grow

you.

But—

If you are what we think you are, you are worth all you cost—and much, much more.

Be sure of this: While father doesn't say much but "Hello, Son," way down deep in his tough, staunch heart he thinks you are the finest ever. And as for the little mother, she simply cannot keep her love and pride for you out of her eyes.

You are a man now.

And some time you must step into your father's shoes. He wouldn't like you to call him old, but just the same he isn't as young as he used to be. You see, young man, he has been working pretty hard for more than twenty years to keep you up! And already your mother is beginning to lean on you.

Doesn't that sober you, Twenty-One?

Your father has done fairly well, but you can do better. You may not think so, but he does. He has given you a better chance than he had. In many ways you can begin where he left off. He expects a great deal from you, and that is why he has tried to make a man of you.

Don't flinch boy.

The world will try you out. It will put to the test every fiber in you. But you are made of good stuff. Once the load is fairly strapped on your young shoulders you will surely feel it—if only there be the willing and cheerful mind.

All hail, you, on the threshold! It's high time you were beginning to pay the freight. And your back debt to father and mother. You will pay them, won't you, boy?

How shall you pay them?

By being always and everywhere a man.—Virginia Masonic Journal.

Wise or Otherwise.

Cheap notoriety is seldom worth what it costs.

Many an early bird has been taken in by an early cat.

A pretty girl who remains single must be a matchless beauty.

The man who leads a dog's life, has some excuse for growling.

The best way to get rid of slander is to let it starve to death.

Only a misguided person would attempt to pull a wooden leg.

It's awfully hard for the average man to keep his advice to himself.

About two-thirds of the letters written represent a waste of time.

Many a woman has an old hat on her head and a new one on her mind.

It is the man who knows all about it who has the least to say on the subject.

FISCAL COURT.

A list of claims allowed by the Magoffin County Fiscal Court at its Special Jany. Term, on the 4th and 5th days of Jan., 1912, payable out of the following funds, viz:

Annie Whitley,	\$ 5.00 P. F.
John Phipps,	3.00 "
Armilda Tackett,	5.00 "
Rebecca Bailey,	4.00 "
Suckey Nickles,	4.00 "
Spicy Auxier,	10.00 "
Ira Gipson,	5.00 "
Sam Miller,	4.00 "
William Crace,	10.00 "
Willie Auxier,	10.00 "
Henry Coots,	5.00 "
Dan Gullett,	4.00 "
Louisa Whitt,	5.00 "
J. E. Bandy,	7.13 "
Frank Porter,	3.75 R&BF
Haden Arnett,	5.00 "
M. V. Dykes,	8.00 P. F.
Tone Gardner,	12.50 R&BF
Standard Print'g Co.	5.00 CEMis
I. C. Howard,	3.00 P. F.
Jack Howard,	3.00 "
D. M. Atkeson,	8.66 R&BF
F. M. Hale,	5.00 P. F.
E. M. Bailey,	1.50 R&BF
J. F. Prater,	12.07 CEMis
Messag'r Job Prt. Co.	35.75 "

Geo. Carpenter,	3.25 P. F.
Warrick Bailey,	44.79 R&BF
Jacob Salyer &c,	6.00 P. F.
Geo. Carpenter,	10.00 R&BF
W. W. Ferguson,	5.00 Officer
Frank Porter,	2.25 R&BF
Bradley & Gilbert Co.	44.55 CEMis
W. L. May,	14.00 Officer
Geo. Burgett,	14.50 R&BF
H. H. Ramey,	7.50 CEMis
S. H. Mann,	14.00 "
Calloway Mann,	14.00 "
Erin Arnett,	11.00 "
J. M. Patrick,	13.00 "
Coon Patrick,	14.00 "
Coon Lovely,	14.00 "
L. C. Prater,	5.50 Officer
J. M. Patrick,	2.33 P. F.
Jacob Salyer,	5.53 "
Joe Dyee,	5.53 "
W. P. Carpenter,	8.60 R&BF
W. W. Adams,	12.50 P. F.
H. G. Gardner,	3.85 CEMis
Calloway Howard,	\$100.00 Officer
L. C. Bailey,	\$9.00 "
Ira C. Bailey,	\$9.00 "
Shepherd Cole,	\$9.00 "
Wallace Cole,	\$9.00 "
Sunny Vanover,	\$6.00 "

Erin Arnett was appointed commissioner to settle with the sheriff.

Give us the names of your friends who would like to see a copy of the Mountaineer.

THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

By Alfred Wallace Harris.

The beautiful snow came down last night
And clothed the earth in a robe of white;
Upon the housetops, every bush and tree,
As far as our eyes are enabled to see.
Maggie get ready with Florence and Millie,
While I go to the barn and hitch up Billie
In our light rutherford, span new,
One horse, sleigh,
And we'll ride o'er the hills and far away.
Twill be a great pleasure to all I know
To cosily skim o'er the beautiful snow.

The school-boys are about with their noise and fun,
And their frolicsome freaks have already begun;
The sleighs glad shout rings clear on the air,
And the tinkling of bells are heard everywhere.

There are sleighs of all kinds,
Some red, and some green;
Such a beautiful sight I seldom have seen.
The high and the low, the meek and vain,
The rich and the poor, the proud and the plain,
Are rejoicing alike, with their faces aglow,
As they glide briskly over the beautiful snow.

Now away we bound o'er the feathery snow,
Ensconced in a robe of the wild buffalo—
We joyfully sing as we hasten along,

And the wild north wind blows loud and strong;
For our minds are at rest as we sit at our ease,
And we heed not the cold how hard it may freeze.
But oh! do we think of the wretched and poor
Who beg for a morsel of bread at our door,
As we gaily laugh and chat as we go
With hearts light and free, o'er the beautiful snow.

SWEET CLOVER SEED.
Sow in winter, no plowing needed. Very hardy, rank growth. Makes hay, pasture and fertilizer. Circular telling how to grow it, and prices.
Bokhara Seed Co., Falmouth, Ky.



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